



Rembrandt, "The Prophetess Anna," 1639

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September 29, 2024
19th Sunday after Pentecost – 8 and 10:30 a.m.

*Sermon series: The crucible of faith: Four women prophets
and their courageous responses to God's call*
Part IV: Anna, Prophet of Redemption

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor
Annette Dittman, Director of Youth Ministries
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Today we welcome organist Eric Jorgenson to lead us in worship.

Prelude: Praeludium in D

J.S. Bach

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.

Amen.



Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.

**We confess that we have honored you with our lips,
but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues.**

**The cravings at war within us
cause conflicts and disputes.**

**In our desire to be first
we make distinctions among ourselves.**

We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last.

In your great mercy, forgive us our sins.

**Draw near to us with grace in time of need,
and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

God promises to forgive our iniquity
and to remember our sin no more.

By grace you have been saved.

In the name of † Jesus Christ,
the source of eternal healing,
your sins are forgiven.

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN: O Jesus, I Have Promised

ELW 810

GREETING

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C. And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

ELW Setting 10



- 1 Glo-ry be to God in heav-en; peace, good-will to all the earth.
- 2 Glo-ry be to Christ for - ev - er, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
- 3 Ho - ly One we now ac-claim you; Lord a - lone, to you we call;



Might-y God of all cre - a - tion, Fa - ther of sur - pass - ing worth:
Son of God and gra - cious Sav - ior, you have come from heav'n a - bove;
Ho - ly One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all:



we ex - alt you, we a - dore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
on the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Je - sus Christ, with God the Spir - it, in the Fa - ther's splen - dor bright.



Saints and an - gels bow be - fore you; here on earth our songs we raise.
Hear our prayer; re - store, for - give us; in your prom - ise firm we stand.
For the peace that we in - her - it, glo - ry be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

P. Everlasting God, you have wonderfully established the ministries of angels and mortals. Mercifully grant that as Michael and the angels contend against the cosmic forces of evil, so by your direction they may help and defend us here on earth, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God whom we worship and praise with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, now and forever.

C. Amen

First Reading: Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

¹⁰A hand touched me and roused me to my hands and knees. ¹¹He said to me, “Daniel, greatly beloved, pay attention to the words that I am going to speak to you. Stand on your feet, for I have now been sent to you.” So while he was speaking this word to me, I stood up trembling. ¹²He said to me, “Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. ¹³But the prince of the kingdom of Persia opposed me twenty-one days. So Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, and I left him there with the prince of the kingdom of Persia, ¹⁴and have come to help you understand what is to happen to your people at the end of days. For there is a further vision for those days.

^{12:1}“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

Word of God, word of life.

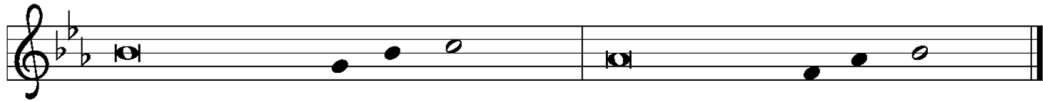
C. Thanks be to God.



Psalm 103:1-5, 20-22



Bless the Lord, you an - gels, all you hosts___ of_ God.



- ¹Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless God's | holy name.
- ²**Bless the LORD, | O my soul,
and forget not | all God's benefits—**
- ³who forgives | all your sins
and heals all | your diseases;
- ⁴**who redeems your life | from the grave
and crowns you with steadfast | love and mercy;**
- ⁵who satisfies your desires | with good things
so that your youth is renewed | like an eagle's.
- ²⁰**Bless the LORD, you angels, you mighty ones who | do God's bidding,
who obey the voice | of God's word. R**
- ²¹Bless the LORD, all you | hosts of God,
you servants who | do God's will.
- ²²**Bless the LORD, all you works of God, in all places | where God rules;
bless the LORD, | O my soul. R**

Second Reading: Revelation 12:7-12

⁷War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, ⁸but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. ⁹The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

- ¹⁰Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,
“Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Messiah,

for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.

¹¹But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.

¹²Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you
with great wrath,
because he knows that his time is short!”

Word of God, word of life. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Children’s Message

Annette Dittman

The children leave for Sunday School and return after the sermon.

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 10



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: Luke 10:17-20

P. The Holy Gospel, according to Luke, the 10th chapter.

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁷The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” ¹⁸He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹⁹See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

P. The gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon: Anna, Prophet of Redemption

Pastor Nancy Raabe

HYMN of the DAY: For All the Faithful Women

ELW 419

Sung as printed: Stanzas 1, 2, and “last”

APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son, our Lord,
 who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried;
 he descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again;
 he ascended into heaven,
 he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
 and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS

To the petition “Hear us, O God,” please respond, “Your mercy is great.”



GREETING OF THE PEACE

P. The peace of Christ be with you always. C. And also with you.

Please be seated.

OFFERING

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Music at the Offering: Meditation

Please stand.

OFFERTORY: Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 685



- 1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
- 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
- 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
- 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PAIMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God,
source of every gift of your creation.

By these gifts and with our lives,
help us to serve one another and all in need,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

P. The Lord be with you. **C. And also with you.**

P. Lift up your hearts. **C. We lift them to the Lord.**

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C. It is right to give God thanks and praise.

P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....

....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 10



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

P. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C. Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven....

Invitation to Communion

Jesus welcomes you to this table.

Come, here is your God.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD

WOV Setting 5



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN: Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart ELW 800

Please stand.

TABLE BLESSING

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A. Jesus, Bread of life, we have received from your table more than we could ever ask. As you have nourished us in this meal, now strengthen us to love the world with your own life. In your name we pray. **C. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

BENEDICTION

The blessing of Almighty God, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you forever. **C. Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: Go, My Children, with My Blessing

ELW 543

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace to love and serve as Christ. **C. Thanks be to God.**

Postlude: Fantasia in G

J.S. Bach



Serving today – Thank You!!

Preacher and Presider, Rev. Nancy Raabe

Organist: Eric Jorgenson

Lector: 8:00, The Walters; 10:30, J. Shaffer

Ushers: 8:00, The Walters;

10:30, C. Tula & K. Deussing

Communion Asst: 8:00, TBD;

10:30, C. Farrell

Altar Guild: 8:00, D. Capanear;

10:30, E. Woltmann

Acolyte: 8:00, Usher; 10:30, Usher

Coffee Hour: Don Capanear

Council Offering & Lockup: 8:00, Dave

Kunkel; 10:30, Tom Salter

Video Team: Harold Schaefer,

Dan & Tami Sarm, Jayson Tula

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